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Applicant: Washabaugh

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING DIFFERENTIATED SERVICE ON  
A PER VIRTUAL CIRCUIT BASIS WITHIN A PACKET-BASED SWITCH/ROUTER

**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.27**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Commissioner,

The above-identified pending utility patent application is entitled to small entity status. The above-identified pending utility patent application meets the small entity status criteria defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a).

The undersigned is the Attorney of Record for the above-identified pending utility patent application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "Mark A. Wilson".

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